

# Fate of Russia To Be Decided At Moscow

## Kerensky Directs Destiny Of Russia With Iron Hand

Premier, Now a Virtual Dictator, Probably Will Be the Republic's First President—Cabinet Solidly Behind Him

By JAMES O'DONNELL BENNETT

**Korniloff Adds To Uncertainty**

**Resignation Would Affect Cossacks; Political Unity Vital**

By Arthur S. Draper

LONDON, Aug. 25.—The resignation of War Minister Savenkov and the report that General Korniloff is having a controversy with Premier Kerensky add to the uncertainty of the Moscow conference, which opens to-morrow.

General Korniloff and other military leaders, the foremost business men, trades unionists and Socialists will attend to consider the country's condition and hear the report of the Provisional Government. A sharp division of opinion is inevitable, and the conference will result either in a much strengthened government or something akin to civil war. It is no exaggeration to state that the fate of Russia hangs on the decisions of the Moscow conference.

Unless the government is armed with authority and force, even darker days face the Russian people. The Ukraine General Assembly has refused an invitation to send delegates to the conference, while the Finnish Diet, in defiance of the prohibition of the government, has fixed August 29 for its first session.

If Korniloff should resign the morale of the Cossacks is bound to be affected, for he is worshipped by them. Kerensky has a feeling here that he will prove equal to it. He must banish all political parties and build up a spirit of unity, or everything won in the revolution will be lost.

# Moscow Labor Unions Opposing Council

MOSCOW, Aug. 25.—Labor unions are opposing the Moscow conference and have announced a one-day strike in protest. The leaders of the unions declared the conference to be "counter-revolutionary" and that it was not possible for democratic organizations to participate. They regard the conference as an effort to deceive the masses. Protest meetings in various factories and works were called for to-day.

# Korniloff Demands Army Rule Railroads

LONDON, Aug. 25.—A dispatch to "The Times" from Moscow says that at the Cabinet meeting in Petrograd Thursday General Korniloff demanded the militarization of railways, which probably will be agreed to in view of the imminent general strike.



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# Whitman Urges Big Send-Off for Drafted

**Suggests Exercises at Local Armories and Escorts of Citizens to Trains**

ALBANY, Aug. 25.—Adjutant General Whitman announced to-day that Governor Whitman had directed military authorities of the state to get in immediate touch with county defense committees and other local officials for the purpose of promoting civic demonstrations in honor of the civilians who will make up the quota of this state for the National Army.

Governor Whitman desires that the ceremonies attending the departure from their respective cities of the young men who have been selected for draft shall be distinctive from the celebrations in honor of the state's former National Guard members, but none the less emphatic.

# U-Boat Sinks Oats for France

AN ATLANTIC PORT, Aug. 25.—The torpedoing of the British steamer Trellisick, loaded with 350,000 bushels of oats for the French government, was reported by the officers of a British steamer which arrived to-day.

# Plan to Change "No Indemnities" Slogan Is German-Made, Says Spargo

Petrograd Not Menaced by German Advance, Declares C. H. Boynton

Socialist Who Quit Party Because of Interpretation Placed Here on Russia's Motto Tells Why Teutons Should Indemnify Belgium

The following article by John Spargo, who recently resigned from the Socialist party on the ground that its attitude toward the war favored the German cause, is being sent to all the labor weekly newspapers in the country by the American Alliance for Labor and Democracy, which Samuel Gompers fathered to counteract the influence of the People's Council, the Workers' Council of America and other bodies impregnated with the ideas of pacifism. In its note to the labor editors, accompanying the article, the Alliance says:

"Here we have the clearest explanation yet written of the attitude of pro-Germans in America on the question of 'No indemnities; no annexations.' Mr. John Spargo is a high authority on this subject. He exposes the sham of the Socialist party and the so-called People's Council in dealing with this vital question. This article will give your readers the real facts in the case; it will lay before them the argument with which to explode the false claims of those who are seeking to use the phrases of democracy to cover the purposes of aristocracy and brutality."

By JOHN SPARGO

The Russian Council of Workmen's and Soldiers' Deputies gives prominent place in its widely published peace programme to the demand that the enemy nations neither "indemnities" nor "annexations of territory."

When the capital of Russia because of the will of the Russian people than she is from any military operations by Germany. Petrograd has never been a favorite city of Russia. Russians complain of its location, its climate, its crowded political dissensions and its cosmopolitan population, a large percentage of which is German, which makes it anything but a thoroughly representative Russian city. It must be remembered that before Peter the Great made Petrograd the capital of Russia, Moscow, with all its holy, historical heritage, was the capital, and by the majority of Russians still is regarded as the most beloved spot.

Arguments German-Made

Sometimes the phrase is qualified as though its users were ashamed of the original formulation, and we are told that there must be no "annexations, no indemnities, no forcible annexations." Close observation soon reveals the fact that the change in form does not imply any important difference of meaning. The same people use both forms, according to it suits their purposes. They are silent upon the same points and they use the same German-made arguments.

Mean Something Different

Although the majority Socialists of the United States, in harmony with their colleagues, the majority Socialists of Germany, use the same formula as the Russian democratic leaders, they mean something quite different.

Recruit Depot Named

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.—Fort Thomas, Kentucky, is designated as a recruit depot, and turned over to the adjutant general of the army in order to issue to-day forecasting the organization of a general recruit depot service. Through this service new men will be fed into the regular and National Guard regiments, including both volunteers and men mobilized under selective draft law. Wounded soldiers who had recovered sufficiently to return to the front also will be sent forward through the general depot. Because of the time required to reach France, it is understood that a general recruit depot will be established on the other side, which will be fed from the depot here, and in turn supply men to regiments at the front as they are needed.

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# U. S. to Contract For \$35,000,000 of New Shipyards

Contracts for Three Plants to Build Steel Vessels To Be Let This Week

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.—Contracts for construction of three government-owned ship yards and for building in them a great fleet of steel vessels will be let early next week by the Emergency Fleet Corporation. The yards are to cost \$35,000,000, and work on them will start immediately.

Ex-Premier Sturmer Dying

Leader of "Dark Forces" Reported Unconscious in Prison

PETROGRAD, Friday, Aug. 24 (delayed).—Boris V. Sturmer, Premier of Russia in 1916, and who was imprisoned in the fortress of St. Peter and St. Paul after the overthrow of the Russian Imperial Government last March, is dangerously ill. He is reported to be unconscious and his physicians fear there is little hope of his recovery.

Cardinal Bello Forbidden to Reside in Capital by the Portuguese Government

LISBON, Aug. 25.—Cardinal Anthony Mendes Bello, the Patriarch of Lisbon, has been given five days by the Portuguese government to leave the capital. A decree issued to-day forbids the Cardinal to reside in Lisbon or the suburbs for one year.

British Pacifist's Papers Seized

LONDON, Aug. 25.—Police to-day searched the London office and the home of E. D. Morel, secretary of the Union of Democratic Control. Morel is one of the leaders of the pacifist movement, and several newspapers have accused him of pro-Germanism. The police carried several packages of documents from his office.

U. S. Thanks Cuba for Ships

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.—The American Minister at Havana has been instructed by the State Department to express to President Menocal the sincere appreciation of the government and people of the United States of the friendly and disinterested action of the Cuban government in transferring to this country the steamships Bavaria, Olivant, Adelheid and Constantia, to be utilized in the prosecution of the war against Germany.

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Khaki Silk Handk'fs	1.00 and 1.50	Khaki Cashmere Muffler	1.50
Khaki Cotton Handk'fs	.25	Officers' Hat Cords	1.00
Military Socks	.25	Comfort Field Kit (Complete)	5.00
Regulation Army Four-in-Hands	.50	Officers' Field Trunk	10.00
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